2024 Bar Conference Explored Past, Present, and Future in Santa Fe





Nearly 300 attorneys, judges, and guests attended the 2024 Bar Conference, which took place at the La Fonda hotel in scenic Santa Fe, New Mexico. Attendees included judiciary from Nevada's justice and district courts, as well as the Appellate Court and Supreme Court. Also in attendance were representatives from Nevada's statewide pro bono organizations.

This scenic, relaxing southwestern location provided a backdrop for engaging seminars and valuable networking exploring the event's theme, "exploring our past, present, and future." Nationally known expert presenters explored topics ranging from national security to artificial intelligence and much more. Notably, Nevada Supreme Court Chief Justice Elissa Cadish swore in the State Bar of Nevada's incoming members of the Board of Governors and its officers, during which Richard Dreitzer became the 100th president of the State Bar of Nevada, marking a century-long legacy of leadership in Nevada's legal community.

Be sure to save the date to join us next year, as we meet in Washington, D.C., on June 12-13, 2025.























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Santa Fe 2024 Bar Conference

- The late night reception celebrated the swearing-in of the State Bar of Nevada's 100th president, Richard Dreitzer.
- 2. Congratulations to the newly sworn-in officers of the State Bar of Nevada, including President Richard Dreitzer, President-Elect Kari Stephens, and Vice President Catherine Mazzeo, as well as to new Board of Governors members John Aldrich and Tyler Ingram! The swearing-in ceremony took place July 27, 2024.
- 3. State bar Past President Ann Morgan greeted stipend recipient Megan Walls, who was attending a Nevada bar conference for the first time in Santa Fe.
- **4.** Guests at the 2024 Bar Conference enjoyed an extraordinary performance during the Welcome Reception by youth hoop dancers from the Lightning Boy Foundation who celebrated the cultural heritage of New Mexico's pueblo people.
- Gregg Kamer is one of two recipients of the state bar's Presidential Award in 2024. He accepted his award alongside his wife, Helen.
- **6.** The 2024 Bar Conference began with a welcome reception on June 26, where attendees had the opportunity to network with members of Nevada's judiciary, such as Justice Patrica Lee of the Nevada Supreme Court, and representatives from pro bono agencies, including Barbara Buckley of the Legal Aid Center of Southern Nevada.
- **7.** The Herve Wine Bar provided a picturesque and relaxing setting for the reception that preceded the swearing-in ceremony at the 2024 Bar Conference.
- 8. State Bar of Nevada Immediate Past President Julie Cavanaugh-Bill (right) presented the 2024 Volunteer of the Year Award to attorney John Bailey in recognition for his decades of service on state bar committees.
- **9.** Speakers from Bank of Nevada, including (from left) Sarah Guindy, Victor Vinogradov, and Ericca Martinez, presented on ways to protect against financial crimes.
- 10. The State Bar of Nevada was fortunate to have expert presenters like Frank Figliuzzi speak at the 2024 Bar Conference. He addressed global and national issues affecting our sense of security and offered steps we can take to preserve what matters most.
- 11. The Appellate Litigation Section hosted a Q&A panel moderated by section chair Anjali Webster with justices from the Nevada Supreme Court, including (from left) Chief Justice Elissa Cadish, Justice Patricia Lee, Justice Lidia Stiglich, and Justice Linda Bell.
- 12. Thanks to our expert panel of appellate attorneys, including (from left) Joel Henriod, Heidi Parry Stern, Kelly Dove, and David Westbrook, who provided an exciting review of the 2023-24 U.S. Supreme Court case docket.
- **13.** State Bar of Nevada Immediate Past President Julie Cavanaugh-Bill presented awards to all the 2024 honorees, including Young Lawyers of the Year Austin Barnum and Jackson Wong.
- 14. Kendal Weisenmiller (left), Alice Denton, Judge Gloria Sturman, and Patrick Clifford participated in a panel presentation on working with elder law and probate attorneys.
- **15.** Judge Deborah Westbrook (left), Judge Bonnie Bulla, and Chief Judge Michael Gibbons presented updates from the Nevada Court of Appeals.

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